

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
Missouri Mental Health Commission Meeting
Department of Mental Health
Central Regional Office—Conference Rooms A/B
1500 Vandiver Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, MO 65202

February 14, 2008

PRESENT

Beth Viviano, Secretary
Phillip McClendon
Kathy Carter
David Vlach, M.D.

ABSENT

Ron Dittimore
Patricia Bolster, M.D.

STAFF

Keith Schafer, Department Director
Lynn Carter, Deputy Director
Mark Stringer, Division Director, ADA
Dr. Joe Parks, Division Director, CPS
Felix Vincenz, CEO, CPS
Bernie Simons, Division Director, MRDD
Brent McGinty, Administration
Jan Heckemeyer, DMH Administration
Monica Hoy, Assistant to the Director
Bob Bax, Director's Office
Pam Leyhe, Director's Office
Audrey Hancock, Director's Office
Cathy Welch, Director's Office
John Heskett, DMH Office of Child MH
Leigh Gibson, Consumer Safety
Benton Goon, MIMH, Transformation

GUESTS

Tec Chapman, MRDD
Julia Kaufmann, MRDD
Molly Boeckmann, OA Budget & Planning
Erica Stephens, MO P & A
Tim Swinfard, MO CMHC
Alicia Jasper, Jackson County
Mary Lou Bussabarger

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CALL TO ORDER/ INTRODUCTIONS	Beth Viviano called the Missouri Mental Health Commission Meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. on February 14, 2008. The meeting was held at Department of Mental Health, Central Regional Office in Columbia. Introductions were made.
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	Kathy Carter made a motion to approve the Mental Health Commission Minutes for January 10, 2008. David Vlach seconded the motion and the Minutes were approved.
OPEN DISCUSSION	It was the consensus of the Commissioners that they send a letter of thanks to Janet Farmer, Director, M.U. Thompson Center for Autism, for hosting this group for a tour this morning. Beth will send on behalf of the Commission.
GUBERNATORIAL TRANSITION DISCUSSION	Keith Schafer shared that discussions have been held with the Governor's Cabinet members and staff regarding the development of a Transition document that would be used to educate and inform the Gubernatorial Candidates about the Department of Mental Health. A document has been created for use in legislative meetings that could be adjusted for this purpose. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Commissioners in attendance that this needs to be brought before the full Commission for approval. Draft documents will be shared at the March Commission meeting for discussion and approval.
BUDGET UPDATE	Jan Heckemeyer presented an update on the FY 2009 budget process. Staff attended House Appropriations Hearings. Senate Appropriations Hearings are scheduled for the week of February 25. Jan provided a handout showing the overall DMH FY 2009 Operating Budget and a document showing the FY 2009 Governor Recommended GR Increases by Department. Keith shared that legislators were complimentary of the DMH presentations by the Executive Team. It was the consensus of the Commissioners to send a letter of thanks to Representative Sater for his help with the budget.
LEGISLATIVE UPDATE	<p>Bob Bax presented an update and noted the following legislative activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRDD name change – SB 756, Sen. Engler and HB 1627, Rep. Portwood are companion bills. Senate Bill was heard on February 5 in the Seniors, Families and Health Committee. It was voted do pass 5-0 on February 14. • ICFMR Provider Tax and MRDD community oversight. SB 1081 will be heard February 19 in the Senate Health and Mental Health Committee. The House bill has not been assigned. • Consumer and Public Safety – SB 974, Sen. Engler and HB 1890, Rep. Moore are companion bills to address four provisions related to the Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services. The Senate Bill was heard February 5 in the Health and Mental Health Committee. The House Bill has been assigned to the Healthcare Policy Committee. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Use of escort devices</u> – this change is needed to comply with the Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services (CMS) requirements. ○ <u>Good Samaritan Statute</u> – this provision would delete a requirement that any other person besides a mental health

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	<p>professional must have training to intervene at the scene of a threatened suicide and not be liable for any civil damages. The change would allow interventions regardless of training.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <u>Release of information</u> – this provision would add language that specifies that release of client information must be consistent with requirements of the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). ○ <u>Mental Health Coordinators</u> – Statute currently requires mental health coordinators be employed by state of Missouri. This provision would delete that requirement to allow mental health coordinators to be contract employees or work for community mental health providers. The DMH would continue to designate coordinators. ● Autism Commission – SB 768, Sen. Rupp, creates Missouri Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders to advise and make recommendations on matters related to Autism Spectrum Disorder. This bill was heard January 29 in the Seniors, Families and Health Committee and was voted do pass 6-0 on February 14. ● Joplin Regional Office – SB 1010, Sen. Nodler, authorizes the state to negotiate a transfer of the Joplin Regional Office property to Missouri Southern State University. The DMH supports this as the building is needed by the University and the space is more than the Regional Office needs. The DMH is seeking to lease space in Joplin for the Regional Office. The bill was heard February 6 in the Local Government Committee and voted do pass consent. It is on the Senate Consent Calendar for consideration.
<p>DIVISION AND SECTION UPDATES</p>	<p>Keith shared an update on the Mental Health Champions Awards Banquet scheduled for April 16, 2008 at the Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City and highlighted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Commissioners were asked to consider moving the April Commission meeting to April 17 rather than April 10 to consolidate the Commissioners' travel that month. This will be in form of a motion at the March 13 meeting. ● Staff is in process of discussions with potential sponsors for the Awards Banquet. <p>Dr. Joe Parks reported on the Division of Comprehensive Psychiatric Services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Noted the article on the Procovery Initiative that ran in the November 2007 issue of <i>Behavioral Healthcare</i>. Dr. Parks will provide the Commissioners the link to the article. <p>Bernie Simons reported on the Division of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Case management partnership with the SB 40 Boards continues. There are currently a total of 20 counties with SB 40 Boards that are doing case management. <p>John Heskett reported on the Office of Comprehensive Child Mental Health:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School-based Mental Health Initiative joined research and practice through the M.U. Partnership on Education and Renewal under Dr. James Koller and Dr. Karen Weston. John explained the Partnership. <p>Benton Goon reported on the Office of Transformation:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their primary focus is completing the Transformation Plan by the end of March, making sure the Plan and Needs Assessment are in alignment. • The common screening tool that the mental health agencies in the Eastern Region agreed to use began last week. Currently, Crider Center, BJC, and Queen of Peace are using and use will be expanded by five agencies by May. • The anti-stigma campaign is planned to kick-off very soon. • Benton Goon and Diane McFarland are scheduled to meet with Western Region mental health group regarding a regional planning area. • They are working with Maryland to develop a national model for Mental Health First Aid. They now have a final draft for the adult Mental Health First Aid Manual and are working on the Children's Manual.
PUBLIC COMMENT	There were no Public Comments.
FUTURE MEETINGS	The next Mental Health Commission Meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2008 in Jefferson City.
ADJOURN	<p>The Mental Health Commission adjourned at 2:30 p.m.</p> <hr/> <p>Beth Viviano, Secretary</p>